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## **USDA to Survey Potato Processors**

HARRISBURG, PA – Beginning in late July, the Northeastern Regional Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) will be conducting the annual *Potato Processing Survey*. The results of this survey will be used to establish final USDA statistics about 2016 potato crop processing for official processing states.

NASS gathers the data for the survey online, by mail, phone and in-person interviews. "NASS safeguards the privacy of all responses and publishes only state- and national-level data, ensuring that no individual operation or producer can be identified," stated King Whetstone, Regional Director, NASS - Northeastern Regional Field Office.

NASS will compile and analyze the survey information and publish the results in the September 14, 2017 annual *Potatoes* publication. The publication will be available on the USDA-NASS website at <a href="https://www.nass.usda.gov/">https://www.nass.usda.gov/</a>. For more information on NASS surveys and reports, call the NASS Northeastern Regional Field Office at 1-800-498-1518.

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